

REMARKS

This is a full and timely response to the initial non-final Office Action dated September 21, 2007 in this application. Reexamination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the cancellation of the only rejected claim and these noted formal matters.

Priority Acknowledgement

It is noted that the priority claim was not acknowledged and that the priority papers submitted on March 31, 2004 at filing were not noted. Please acknowledge these submissions in the allowing papers that presumably will follow.

Specification

The substitute specification as filed on May 18, 2007 was not acknowledged; presumably, the substitute specification as there filed was entered.

Drawings

Figs. 1, 2A and 2B are labeled as “RELATED ART” as noted at pages 1 to 5 of the specification. A corrected drawing and an annotated drawing for each of these figures are provided as an appendix to this paper.

Claims

Claims 1 to 7 were pending for examination in this application as filed. Claims 1 to 6 were allowed as presented and are retained unamended. Claim 7 was rejected. Without agreeing with or acknowledging the propriety of the rejection of claim 7, that claim is here canceled without prejudice or disclaimer.

It is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance with allowed claims 1 to 6 in that rejected claim 7 is canceled. Early notice to that effect is respectfully solicited.

If the Examiner has any comments or suggestions that could place this application in even better form, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' representative at the telephone number listed below.

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Respectfully submitted,

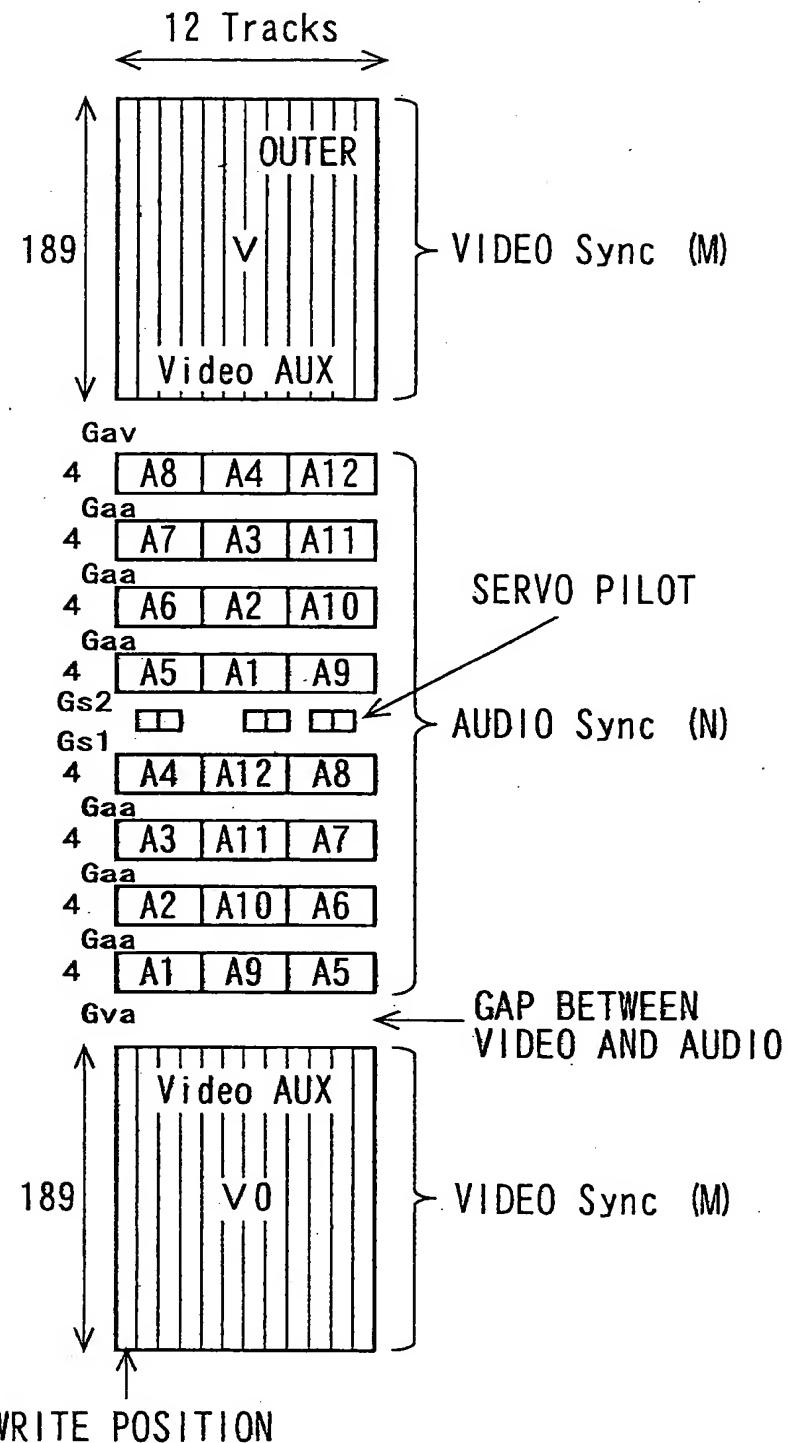
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FIG. 1 RELATED ART



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FIG. 2A RELATED ART

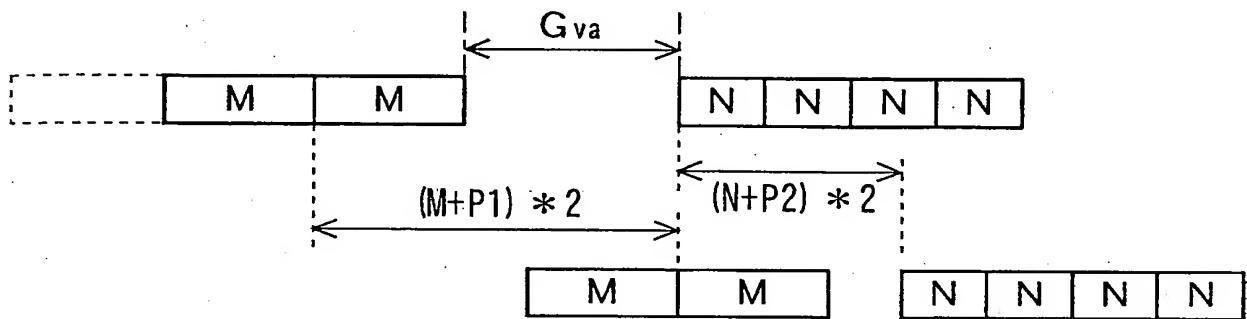
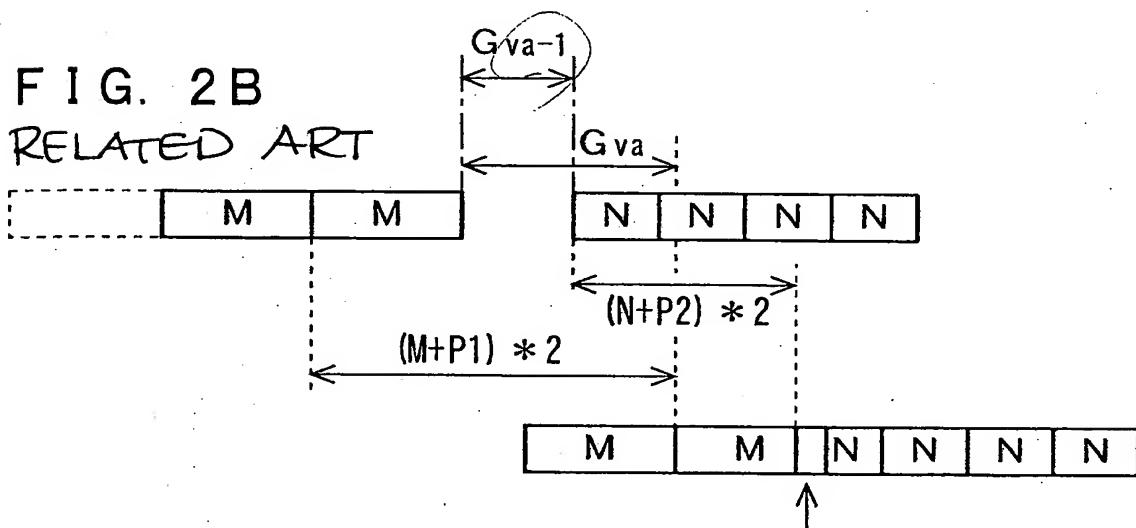


FIG. 2B
RELATED ART



BACK OF "M" IS OVERTAKEN AND DESTROYED BY "N"